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SENATOR BROMM: And within those cost groupings we will figure out an average needs cost. Is that...

SENATOR RAIKES: No, that part will change.

SENATOR BROMM: That would change.

SENATOR RAIKES: That would be changed under this proposal.

SENATOR BROMM: And you indicated the economies of size would be incorporated into the needs calculation for each grouping, is that...

SENATOR RAIKES: That's...that's correct, Senator.

SENATOR BROMM: Now do you take...do you look at both ends of that spectrum, whether it be the large...where you get so large that you're no longer able to be as efficient as the most efficient size and you also look at the smaller end of that spectrum and say, well, because of small size you can't be...does it work both ways?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes, it does, Senator, yes. The small size is mostly reflected by including the per system cost, the large size by the scale factor, but both of them are included.

SENATOR BROMM: Okay. Well, between now and the next time that this bill is debated, I will try to ask...I will try to think of some coherent questions that I might be able to ask you, Senator Raikes. And, like Senator Landis said, we may start a study group in this aisle (laugh) and we'll be ready next time. Thank you for the explanation.

SENATOR RAIKES: Good. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Items for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, the bill passed on Final Reading this morning was presented to the Governor at 11:10 (re LB 510). There will be an Executive Session of Revenue at 1:30 in Room 1524. New A bills. (Read LB 1436A, LB 1243A, LB 26A,